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TOWN OF LOS ALTOS HILLS NEWSLETTER

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LANDSCAPING SUGGESTIONS FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN COMMITTEE

Spring is here—let's go native! Yes, let's go native and blend our houses into our wonderful Los Altos Hills. Let's go native and forget about watering, forget about bugs and diseases which native plants are often immune to. Do you know that you can have color from native plants almost all year long? Do you want a red bush in spring? Try a Redbush, or yellow in summer? Get a Flannel Bush, or a blue in the fall? Try a sage. Do you have a dry spot? Try a California Oaks, Cotton Wood or Digger Pine. A wet spot? Try a Bigleaf maple, Tanbark Oak, or Redwood. Do you know that natives live longer than imports? Do you know that you can have a delicious fragrance from our bushes? Yes, you can have all of that and more—shade trees—open trees all giving you the natural look. Above all, go native and make your land part of the hills. You'll save water and we'll help you get there.

We've listed some nurseries that will help you because they specialize in California native plants. Or call us and we'll try to help you or get the information for you. We assure you that you'll be happy with our native beauty and low, low maintenance. Many flowers, shrubs and trees can be seen in their natural habitat at the Yerba Buena Nursery on Skyline Boulevard south of Route 84. Other suggestions for nurseries include the Christensen Nursery in Belmont and Saratoga and the Saratoga Horticultural Foundation in Saratoga.

We are also listing some books that will help you in selecting plants for your native paradise:

Selected California Native Plants (in color)
Saratoga Horticultural Society
Growing California Native Plants
Marjorie G. Schmidt, University of California Press
Native Plants for use in California Landscape
Emile L. Labadie, Sierra City Press
Ornamental Shrubs for use in the Western Landscape
Emile L. Labadie, Sierra City Press
Trees of the West
Mabel Cristenden, Celestial Arts, Millbrae
Selected California Plants with Commercial Sources
Saratoga Horticultural Foundation
Sunset: New Western Garden Book

The following leaflets are all available from the Division of Agricultural Sciences, University of California:
Shrubs for Coast Counties in California: Leaflet #2584.
Pruning Landscape Trees: Leaflet #2574
Native California Plants for Ornamental Use: Leaflet #2831.
Oaks on Home Ground: Leaflet #2783

Thank you for your interest in making Los Altos Hills even more beautiful. If you have any questions or need more information, please leave a message for us at Town Hall (941-7222).

Environmental Design Committee

NOTE FROM THE PATHWAY COMMITTEE

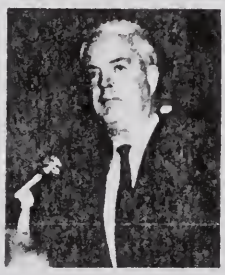
Anyone in Town who knows of a path that needs to be cleared please call a member of the Pathway Committee or Town Hall (941-7222). Thank you.

ANNIVERSARY BANQUET

On January 31, 1981 an Anniversary Banquet was held at the Fremont Hills Country Club in celebration of the Town's Twenty fifth Anniversary. Tickets were sold out well in advance and the evening of the 31st found the Country Club packed to capacity with those eager to celebrate such an important occasion.

The festivities included a delicious banquet with wine provided by the Page Mill Winery of Los Altos Hills and entertainment by the Los Altos High Harmatans who were directed by Leonard Cook. The program for the evening was introduced by Richard Henning, Dean of Community Services at Foothill College and an invocation was given by Rabbi Sidney Akselrad.

Mayor Nystrom then welcomed all those in attendance and introduced the guest speakers for the evening, Congressman Pete McCloskey and Senator Alan Cranston. Each of their talks was interesting, informative and certainly one of the highlights of the evening. Several others participated in the program including Senator Dan O'Keefe, Assemblyman Ernest Konnyu and former member of the Board of Supervisors Geraldine Steinberg. Each presented a Resolution to the Town in honor of its Anniversary. The program was concluded with a Benediction by the Reverend George McNeely.



It would be impossible to name all those who joined in the evening. Many were involved in the Incorporation 25 years ago and could certainly feel proud of their Town. Others perhaps were newcomers to Los Altos Hills but they too joined in celebrating the anniversary of a very special place to live. It was a wonderful opportunity for everyone to mingle and share stories and friendships in a congenial atmosphere.

Special thanks must be given to the Committee who contributed much time and effort in the planning of this event: General Chairman, Lucile Hillestad, Vice-Chairman, Carol Incerpi, Nancy Couperus, Joseph Dochnahl, Bonnie Gardiner, Irma Goldsmith, Rosemary Meyerott, Diana Miller, Elizabeth Peers and George Pfeiffer.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

On January 27, 1981, the 25th Anniversary of the Incorporation of Los Altos Hills, the Historical Society hosted a birthday party at Town Hall. This event was the first in a series of celebrations planned for the Anniversary Year. Residents braved a terrific rainstorm to attend the party and to view the silver cannister which held copies of significant Town papers, memorabilia and, among other things, one of the Town's special anniversary flags. After the weather improved, this cannister was buried on the grounds of Town Hall and will be opened again 25 years from now during the Town's 50th Anniversary! The Brownies from Bullis School presented a gift to the Town of a beautiful handmade quilt, each square depicting an aspect of life in Los Altos Hills. Irma Goldsmith, President of the Historical Society and Mistress of Ceremonies for the Birthday Party, presented an Award of Merit to Gardner Bullis for his long and dedicated service to the Town. In addition, Mayor James Nystrom spoke briefly to the group and several residents and members of the Town Hall staff were introduced. Many thanks to Mrs. Goldsmith and the Historical Society for arranging such a nice afternoon in honor of the Town's 25th Anniversary.

Concerning other items of interest regarding the Historical Society, Yvonne Jacobsen had an exhibit of the History of Farming in the Santa Clara Valley at Syntex Gallery during the month of April. On April 11 she took members of the Historical Society and their guests on a tour of this exhibit. On May 3 the Historical Society displayed old animal husbandry and farm equipment at the Hidden Villa Fiesta.

In case you have forgotten, please send in your $5 membership dues so that you can continue to receive notices of all Historical Society Happenings!

COUNTRY FAIR
SATURDAY, MAY 30, 1981

On Saturday, May 30, 1981 the Town will be continuing its celebration of the 25th Anniversary of its incorporation with a "Country Fair", a day-long event which promises activities that appeal to all tastes and interests.

PARADE

The kickoff for the Country Fair will be a parade starting at 10:00 a.m. at the Gardner Bullis School on Fremont Road, proceeding up Concepcion, right on Purissima Road to the Little League Ball Park. This parade will be a "first" in Hills History! Horses, ponies, carts, wagons, vintage cars, trucks-anything that moves-can participate. Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, marching bands, Town diginitaries, pioneer families, "old" Little League players-you name it!-will be welcome. Please fill out the form located in this Newsletter if you are interested in joining in the parade.

EXHIBITION BALL GAME

The "feature attraction" after the Parade will be a ball game in which boys from the four 1960 teams will play, their "opponents" not yet picked! These men, now in their 30's, pioneered Little League baseball in the Hills. This promises to be a fun reunion of old friends and everyone is invited to come cheer them on. Other games are also scheduled between various Town groups.

EAT, DRINK AND BE MERRY!

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Little League is planning a COUNTRY KITCHEN where they will sell home-baked bread, cake, cookies; home canned items from their kitchens, such as jams, jellies, pickles, fruits, honey from local hives and eggs from their hens. To assuage your hunger, there will be booths serving charcoal-broiled hamburgers and hot dogs. Kegs of beer for the thirsty adults and cokes for the kids will also be sold. A "Pick-a-Pocket Clown" with lots of goodies in his pockets will thrill the kiddies and helium balloons will be sold. (The proceeds go to the Little League). There will be music to add to the merriment and if anyone knows of a Barber Shop Quartet or other musical group that would like to join in, please call Town Hall (941-7222) and let us know. The more music, the merrier!

AT THE BARN (at the end of the Little League Playing Fields)

A *Jazz Band* of young men from Gunn High School and Foothill College will be playing for several hours of dancing, starting around 1:30 p.m. So come kick up your heels! *Wine Tasting.* You may taste the wines of two Los Altos Hills vintners for a nominal price. Page Mill Winery and Walker Wines will be serving. *Arts and Crafts Exhibit.* Town artists will be exhibiting and selling their pictures and crafts in the outdoor area around the Barn. All artists in Town are invited to participate! There is no entry fee. Please fill out the form below and return to:

Rosemary Meyerott
27100 Elena Road
Los Altos Hills
Phone No.: 948-5970
Attn: Art Exhibit

Upstairs in the Barn there will be an *exhibit of old photos from early days of Little League.* Perhaps you have a few pictures stashed away you'd like to loan the Town for this display? If so, please call Rosemary Meyerott at 948-5970 and let her know. Participants may also get to see a movie taken of the winning Dodgers in 1960!

Please plan on joining us for the Country Fair. It should be a fun day for all ages and a wonderful place to join your neighbors in celebrating the Town's 25th Anniversary.

ARTS AND CRAFTS EXHIBIT AT BARN MAY 30
LITTLE LEAGUE PARK

Yes, I would like to enter. NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

MEDIUM? _____ NO. OF PICTURES _____ VALUE _____

TIME YOU WILL SPEND AT EXHIBIT _____. Each participant is requested to spend at least one hour helping at the "Sales Table". Potters must furnish their own tables and stay with their exhibit. Art should be hung at 9:00 a.m. and taken home by the artist when the Fair is over (around 5:00 p.m.).

HAPPENINGS AT WESTWIND

A very successful landscaping work day was held at Westwind Barn on March 28, spearheaded by Board Member Chuck Marsh. Westwind members planted over 70 trees and shrubs as well as ground cover on the slope behind the riding arena. Some live oaks still remain to be planted and, when accomplished, Phase 1 of the landscaping project will be complete. Steps are now being taken to prepare the Barn for a spring/summer painting—an enormous task to which all interested parties are invited to take part! A date has not been set, but it is anticipated that this project will get underway soon.

On June 7 Westwind 4-H Riding for the Handicapped and CYS (The California Youth Symphony) will co-sponsor a Benefit at the San Mateo County Mounted Patrol Grounds in Woodside. The symphony will play selections from Wagner, Mozart, Sibelius and others. There will be equestrian demon-

strations with accompaniment by the Symphony, which will include the Sundance Vaulters (National Champions), the Osierlea Quadrille (a 12-member team of dressage riders), a Pas de Deux and a Grand Prix Dressage Demonstration. In addition there will be an art show, a drawing and demonstrations by Westwind 4-H handicapped riders. Entertainment begins at 2:15 p.m. and the grounds will open at 11:00 a.m. Admission is $2.50 (adult) and $1.00 (12 and under). For more details call Nancy Couperus at 941-4808 or Janice Duncan at 941-8211.

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

There are currently vacancies on the Town's Standing Committees, particularly on the Traffic and Public Safety Committee. All residents who are interested in volunteering their time and effort in active community involvement are encouraged to call Town Hall (941-7222) for more information.

TOWN PARADE MAY 30

The second of a series of events celebrating the silver anniversary of the incorporation of the Town of Los Altos Hills will be a Family Fun Day, scheduled for Saturday, May 30, 1981. The kickoff for this event will be a parade, originating at the Gardner Bullis School on Fremont Road and terminating at the Little League Ball Park on Purissima Road, via Fremont, Concepcion and Purissima Roads for a distance of three miles. All schools, clubs and organizations within the Town limits and those outside of the Town limits in which Los Altos Hills residents are enrolled or are members are urgently invited to participate. Please fill out the following form if you would like to participate in the Parade. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please call either Town Hall at 941-7222 or Parade Chairman, J. W. Dochnahl at 948-5255.

FROM _____

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TO: Town Hall
26379 Fremont Road
Los Altos Hills, California 94022

NAME OR ORGANIZATION _____

INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING _____

REQUEST ADDITIONAL INFORMATION _____

SIGNED _____ PHONE # _____